

REMARKS

Applicant has provided a preliminary amendment to the specification to have same more accurately comply with U.S. practice. A marked-up copy of the specification is provided along with a clean version as per 37 CFR 1.125. No new matter has been added to the specification.

Further, applicant has included an amended Abstract to comply with U.S. practice.

Formal drawings are also provided.

The claims have been amended and are fully supported by the specification. The marked-up claims comply with amendment practice under 37 CFR 1.121. No new matter has been added to the claims.

Applicant encloses the executed Declaration/Power of Attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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